Newman
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HOW MUCH FARTHER? THIS HEAT IS UNBEARABLE
YEAH, I BET IT'S PRETTY BAD UP THERE, SO CLOSE TO THE SUN.

STILL A FEW MILES TO GO.
LET'S JUST HOPE OUR INTEL IS CORRECT. MY SWORD HAND HAS AN ITCH THAT ONLY THE BLACK BLADE CAN SCRATCH.

OUR GOAL IS TO STOP THE CREATURE FROM BEING SUMMONED IN THE FIRST PLACE
WHAT'S THE FUN IN THAT?

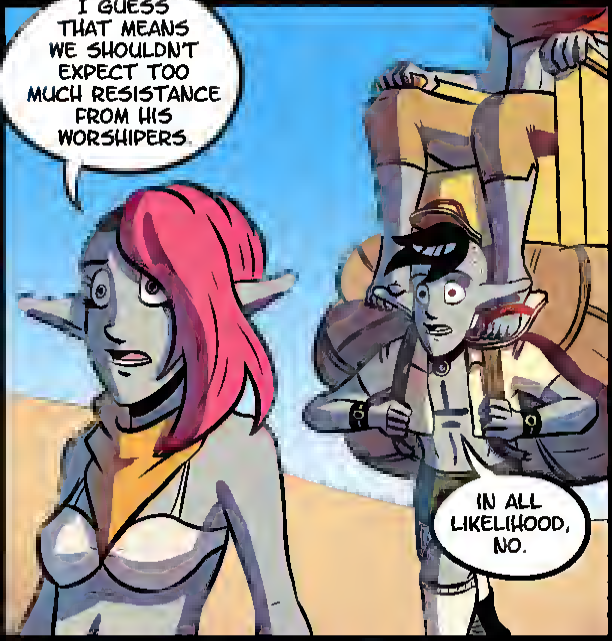
SO HOW ARE YOU FEELING? DO YOU THINK YOU'RE READY TO USE YOUR MAGIC ON THIS THING IF WE HAVE TO FACE IT?
SURE. I MEAN WORST CASE SCENARIO I LOSE CONTROL. KILL EVERYONE AND DESTROY THE CITY. SO YOU KNOW. PIECE OF CAKE.

DON'T PUT TOO MUCH PRESSURE ON YOURSELF. WERE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER.
THANKS

SO WHAT DO WE KNOW ABOUT THIS THING? HAS IT GOT A NAME OTHER THAN 'OLD ONE' OR 'ELDER THING'? EVERYTHING IS VAGUE IN THIS CULT. I NEED A REAL NAME TO GO WITH MY SLAYINGS

IT'S NAME IS HARGOTH. IT'S ALSO KNOWN AS THE GOD OF DESPAIR.
SOUNDS LIKE A FUN DUDE.

THE LEGEND IS THAT THIS WHOLE DESERT WAS ONCE A SPRAWLING CITY, BUT IN ONE NIGHT HARGOTH TURNED IT TO DUST. MOST OF HIS FOLLOWERS PERFORM RITUAL SUICIDE, BUT A FEW LIVE ON TO SPREAD HIS MESSAGE OF HOPELESSNESS.
THAT IS THE MOST DEPRESSING THING I'VE EVER HEARD.


I GUESS THAT MEANS WE SHOULDN'T EXPECT TOO MUCH RESISTANCE FROM HIS WORSHIPERS.
IN ALL LIKELIHOOD, NO.

LET'S STAY ALERT JUST IN CASE.

THIS PLACE IS A GHOST TOWN.

GREETINGS

HELLO...
YOU ARE HERE TO STOP HARGOTH. ARE YOU NOT?

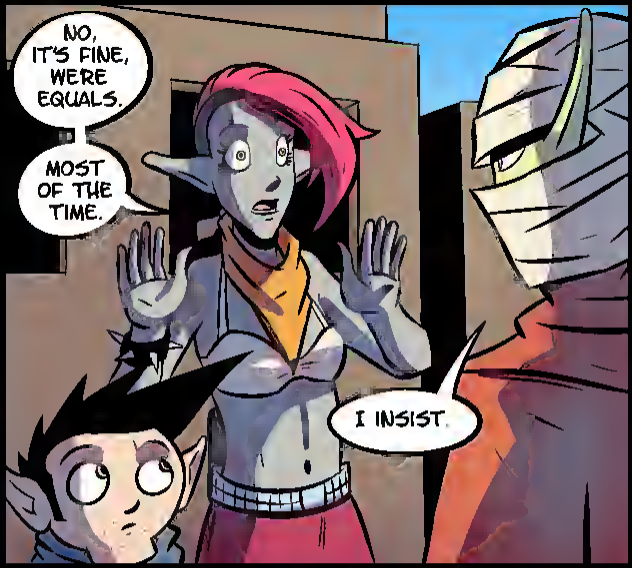
THAT'S THE PLAN
THEN FOLLOW ME.

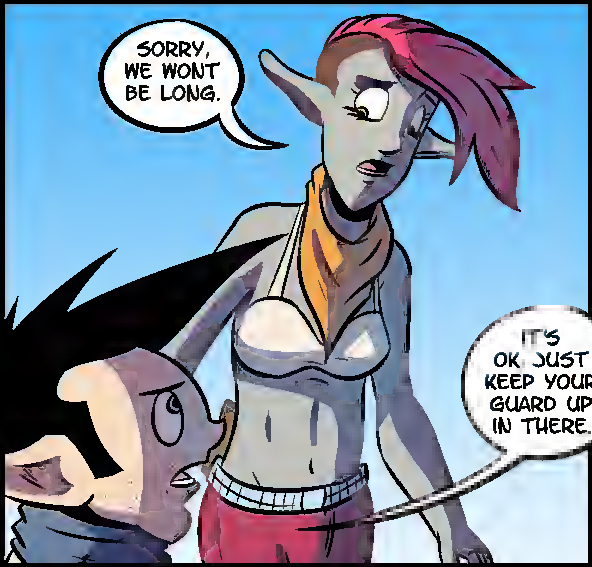
DO WE TRUST THIS LADY?
NO, BUT GOOD OR BAD, SHE PROBABLY KNOWS MORE THAN WE DO.
FAIR ENOUGH

WE CAN TALK IN HERE.
HELLO PARADISE

STOP

YOUR SLAVES WILL HAVE TO WAIT OUTSIDE
WHAT!?


NO, IT'S FINE, WERE EQUALS.
MOST OF THE TIME.
I INSIST.


SORRY, WE WONT BE LONG.
IT'S OK. JUST KEEP YOUR GUARD UP IN THERE.

YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH THIS LONGER THAN I HAVE. DOESN'T IT EVER GET TO YOU?
WHAT ARE WE TALKING ABOUT?
CRACK

BEING FORCED TO WAIT OUTSIDE LIKE THIS. TREATED DIFFERENTLY
OH THAT HONESTLY I FEEL LIKE IVE ALWAYS BEEN TREATED WITH KINDNESS AND FAIRNESS

YOU JUST CARRIED YOUR WIFE ON A THRONE ON YOUR BACK FOR TEN MILES THROUGH THE DESERT
I KNOW. IT WAS QUITE A PRIVILEGE. I'M SURE GWEN WOULD HAVE LET YOU CARRY HER IF YOU ASKED.
IS THAT WHAT THIS IS ABOUT?

NEVERMIND

WHOOOSH!

DID YOU SEE THAT?
NO. SEE WHAT?

WAIT HERE

HELLO?

SO WHAT CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT HARGOTH? WHEN IS THE CULT PLANNING TO RESURRECT HIM?
TODAY, DURING THE ECLIPSE.

THERE'S NO ECLIPSE TODAY.
THERE IS HERE
THAT'S NOT HOW THE SOLAR SYSTEM WORKS

OF COURSE TWO POWERFUL WIZARDS LIKE YOURSELVES WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL IN PUTTING A STOP TO ALL OF THIS
THAT'S WHY WE'RE HERE

WHICH IS WHY THIS ROOM HAS BEEN ENCHANTED TO DISARM ALL MAGIC.
HUH...
SNAP

HEY! I TOLD YOU YOU'RE NOT ALLOWED TO CARRY WEAPONS. MAGIC ONLY!
WELL I GUESS IT'S A GOOD THING I DON'T LISTEN TO YOU!

ARE YOU OKAY?

WE WONT GO BACK. KILL US HERE IF YOU HAVE TO, BUT WE WONT GO BACK.
WOAH. WOAH! I'M NOT GOING TO KILL ANYBODY. WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

YOURE NOT WITH THEM?
WITH WHO?
THE CULT

NO. WE'RE WITH THE CRD. WE'RE HERE TO *DEAL* WITH THE HARGOTH CULT, AND HARGOTH HIMSELF IF IT COMES TO IT. MY NAME IS NEWMAN.

I DON'T UNDERSTAND. IF YOU'RE NOT WITH THE CULT, THEN WHY ARE YOU MEETING WITH THEM?
WHAT DO YOU--?

YOU COULD HELP YOU KNOW!
WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO? YOU'RE THE ONE WHO LIKES TO PLAY WITH SHARP THINGS

LIKE AND IF YOU ENJOYED!

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